



KINO PARKWAY – 22ND STREET INTERSECTION & WIDENING TO TUCSON BOULEVARD



July 12, 2007

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting #3 Meeting Summary

A meeting of the TAC was held from 9-10:00 am on July 12, 2007 at the Public Works building. In attendance were members Dave Zaleski, Deanna Mohr, Marshall Worden, and Rob Soler. Staff present included Andy McGovern, Brooks Keenan, Janice Cuaron, Jim Glock and Nicole Gavin, and consultant team staff Alejandro Angel, Angela Stith, Claudia Perchinelli, Darlene Showalter, Dave Dobler, Edie Griffith-Metty, Freda Johnson and Nanette Pageau.

1. Welcome and Introductions;

Andy McGovern, project manager invited everyone to introduce themselves and tell of their affiliation.

2. Project History and Overview

Edie Griffith-Metty provided an update on the intersection portion of the project noting that it was on hold until the 22nd Street widening portion reached the same schedule point and had an approved Alternate Planning Report (APR). Andy provided an overview of what has occurred on the projects, history and change in scope. He also noted that the contract for the 22nd Street widening portion is in place and data collection is on going. Andy also gave a brief summary of the last two Citizen Advisory Committee meetings and the City ordinances that will guide the process.

3. TAC Goals

Andy explained the goal of the TAC is to help prepare criteria for matrices to rank the alternatives and aid in selection for both portions of the project. He said that the first matrix would be for the roadway portion and then a similar process for the intersection.

4. Anticipated Schedule for Design and Construction of Project

Edie from DMJM Harris presented draft copies of the project schedule and Advance Planning Report.

5. Draft APR

Edie passed out a draft copy of the APR and informed the group that this was the first of three reports for the roadway portion as part of the ordinance guidelines. She noted that the intersection portion would follow the same ordinances. The draft APR shows drawings of the three alternative alignments:

1. Widening south side of 22nd Street with three lanes of traffic in each direction and a 20 foot median. Traffic would be shifted so the existing bridge would be used during construction. This alternative places more construction within the Rail Road (RR) area. Ramps to and from Aviation Highway are maintained on all

- alternatives. Andy stated that a traffic analysis will redo the 22nd St/Aviation/Barraza area but it will depend upon the 22nd St/Kino Blvd intersection recommendation so a cost effective, traffic flow efficient and safety type of access is chosen. The team is communicating with the Downtown Links project team on this portion of the project.
2. Widening of the north side lessens the impact to the RR but is more to east side residents. Traffic would be shifted so the existing bridge would be used during construction. The project team will work with the United States Postal Service on all three alternatives.
 3. Widening both south and north sides means the bridge access cannot be maintained during construction. Looking at trying to keep at least one lane of traffic in each direction. Dave Zaleski from Pima County asked if there could be an temporary bridge option that would be less costly than right of way (ROW) acquisition. Andy agreed that this idea should be reviewed but must consider the RR's needs.

Edie reminded the group that none of the three 22nd Street alternatives preclude any of the intersection alternatives and the new design will eliminate weight restrictions on the bridge.

6. Matrix Criteria

Andy explained how the matrix criteria would be developed to rank the alternatives. The group came up with a list consisting of: cost, ROW, circulation, traffic flow, utility impact, RR, Post Office access, heavy truck accommodation, land use opportunity, remnant parcels, constructability, circulation, alternate modes, safety, environmental impact and timeline to construction. He said that there may be subcommittees formed to discuss items such as land use opportunities.

Marshall stated that access to the UA site is difficult. Andy told him that the project team was in discussions with David Duffy of UA Facilities Planning.

Nicole suggested that the team look at viability of remnant parcels.

Andy also noted that the Tucson Boulevard and 22nd Street intersection was not part of this project and the needs do not justify a change and that the RTA has not approved the project past Tucson Boulevard.

Andy suggested that the team meet and put together the suggested matrix criteria and prepare to present it to the CAC after which another TAC meeting will be held in September or October. He does not foresee a review of the interchange alternatives with the TAC until next year. USPS will provide Alejandro with the average number of drop shippers and forecast of future increases.

7. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 am.